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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THE CONTINUOUS PRODUCTION OF

SILICON OXIDE POWDER

REPLY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 22, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.